

REMARKS

Claims 17-30 and 33-36 are active in the present application.

The rejection of Claims 30-31 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph (enablement), is obviated by amendment.

Applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the fact that Claim 30 has been amended to recite the hydrophobic compounds previously claimed in Claim 32, which the Examiner recognizes as being enabled. In addition, Claim 31 has been canceled. Therefore, Claim 30 is now enabled.

In view of the present amendments, Applicants request withdrawal of this ground of rejection.

The rejection of Claims 17-36 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, is obviated by appropriate amendment.

In regard to Claims 17, 28, and 29, the phrase "R² represents an alkyl or aryl group, substituted if applicable," has been amended to define when and how R² can be modified. Specifically, R² is now defined as being "selected from the group consisting of an alkyl group, an aryl group, an alkyl group having at least one substitution, and an aryl group having at least one substitution, wherein said substitution is a substituent group selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a hydroxyl, a carboxyl, and an amine." Therefore, the rejection over Claims 17, 28, and 29 is now believed to be obviated.

Finally, Claim 34 has been amended to specifically include the presence of a surfactant and, thus, Claim 35 now finds antecedent basis in Claim 34.

In view of the amendments set forth herein, Applicants submit that the claims are definite within the context of 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. As such, withdrawal of this ground of rejection is requested.

The objection to Claims 18, 20, 24, and 28 is obviated by amendment. Consistent with the Examiner's helpful suggestion, Claims 18, 20, 24, and 28 have been amended to be free of ambiguities and criticism.

Further, Applicants have amended the claims to be free of the Examiner's criticism in regard to Claims 30, 33, and 34. Applicants note that Claim 30 relates to an inclusion complex, whereas Claim 33 relates to an aqueous solution of water and nanoparticles of the inclusion complex. Therefore, Claims 30 and 33 are distinct. Moreover, Claim 34 is distinct from either Claims 30 or 33 in that Claim 34 relates to an organized surfactant system comprising a surfactant and either a specific cyclodextrin or the inclusion complex. Therefore, Claim 34 is not identical to either of Claims 30 or 33.

Applicants request that the Examiner acknowledge withdrawal of these objections in the next communication from the Office.

Applicants submit that the present application is now in condition for allowance.

Early notification of such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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